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COMMUNICATION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

Dear Assistant Commissioner:

Applicant wishes to inform the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office and the Examiner assigned to the above-referenced application of the existence of the following four (4) co-pending cases which also relate to various aspects of the same technology.

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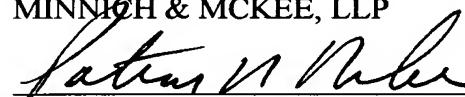
These co-pending applications are not to be construed as prior art. By bringing the co-pending applications to the attention of the Examiner, the Applicant does

not waive any confidentiality concerning these co-pending applications. 35 U.S.C. §122 (1988).

Applicant hereby requests that this Communication be placed in the above-referenced file.

Respectfully submitted,

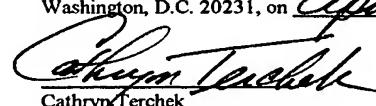
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